

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. JONES. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of HR 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010.

Rep. WALTER B. JONES

Project: Radar Approach Control (RAPCON) Complex at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base Phase 1

Recipient: Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, 1510 Wright Brothers Ave., Seymour Johnson AFB, NC 27531

Account: Military Construction, Air Force
Amount: \$6,900,000

Explanation: The existing Radar Approach Control (RAPCON) Complex and Ground to Air Transmitter/Receiver (GATR) at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base are inadequately configured for today's mission and high-tech equipment. Replacing these facilities would improve Air Force operations and safety and save money by sharply reducing the cost of maintaining the existing outdated infrastructure.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROY BLUNT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. BLUNT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H. R. 2996, The Department of Interior Appropriations Act for FY2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman ROY BLUNT

Priority Name: McDonald County for Wastewater Infrastructure—Public Water Supply District #1 of McDonald County

Authorized Amount: \$244,000

Account: STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Project

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: McDonald County, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 345, Pineville, MO 64856

Description of Request: This funding will be used by Public Water Supply District (PWSD) #1 toward the second phase of a wastewater expansion project to augment recently constructed infrastructure financed from PWSD funds. The proposed project will supply the Village of Jane with needed sewer service. The Village of Jane is a small but rapidly growing community in south-central McDonald County on the bank of Little Sugar Creek, a 303d impaired waterway.

The use of taxpayer funds is justified because in addition to the benefits of improved water quality within the Little Sugar Creek watershed and encouraging additional commercial and residential development in the area, the proposed project will also provide needed wastewater service to properties recently purchased by the McDonald County R-1 School District and Crowder College to house a second high school campus and a community college campus respectively.

HONORING THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND RETIREMENT OF KATHY MELSTON

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. HALL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a true public servant who has dedicated her life to promoting reading and library use, Ms. Kathy Melston, who recently retired as Library Director of the Rockwall County Library in my hometown.

Early on, Kathy recognized the emerging need for adult literacy. As a result, the award-winning Reading for Adults program was established in 2000. This program has grown from two students and five tutors to 68 volunteer tutors and 300 students, of which many have earned GEDs and their citizenship through this process. The innovative "Rock and Read" fundraiser supporting the program won the literacy award from the Texas State Reading Association.

Kathy is accredited by many for promoting bond propositions to purchase land and construct a new state-of-the-art library in Rockwall. County Commissioner Lorie Grinnan maintains that with Kathy's intelligence, extensive knowledge base and dedication, she has been able to steer Rockwall County through a time of tremendous growth and change. Kathy's belief that the main purpose of a library is to serve its community has been the foundation of the loyalty and dedication of her staff, volunteers and the Friends of the Library.

During her 20 years as Library Director, Kathy has provided vision, enthusiasm, and results in Rockwall County. She was named the Rockwall Soroptimist Professional Woman of the Year, served on several RISD committees, and was President and Secretary of the Public Library Administrators of North America. She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and is a Lector and Eucharistic Minister at her church.

Kathy's recent retirement is bittersweet for those who know, love and respect her. They are happy for this new phase of her life which will be filled with travel, home projects, volunteering and a chance to read all of the books for which she will finally have the time. But, at the same time, they feel some distress at the loss of personal connections established between Kathy and the library patrons.

In September, at the grand opening of the new library, many noticed a large corner spot with a beautiful view, filled with flowers and cards with a brass plaque on the door identifying the Kathleen Melston Quiet Reading Room. This tribute from staff, friends and volunteers recognizes Kathy's enormous impact on the community.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to join the Rockwall County Library, Friends of the Library, and Rockwall citizens in congratulating Ms. Kathy Melston on her retirement. I can't think of a better testament to public service than educating tomorrow's leaders, and Ms. Melston is to be commended for her commitment to the advancement of reading literacy. Please join me in honoring her on this prestigious occasion.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, on July 9, 2009, I was unavoidably unable to cast my vote for rollcall 512. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican Conference standards regarding Member initiatives, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmark I received as part of the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (Alabama)

Bill Number: H.R. 3082, Military Construction—Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for FY 2010

Account: Military Construction, Army
Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Address of Receiving Entity: Anniston Army Depot, 7 Frankford Avenue, Anniston, AL 36201

Description of Request: Provide \$3,300,000 in funding for the Industrial Area Electrical System Upgrade. This funding will be used to construct electrical system upgrades to the area south of Third Avenue in the industrial area. Construction will include new power poles, cross arms, insulators, cutouts, re closers, anchor systems, wire, transformers, underground duct and circuit breakers for a couplet 12470 volt electrical service system in the area south of Third Avenue in the industrial area. This construction will provide upgraded

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